

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

February 22, 2010

5:30 p.m.

Courthouse

MINUTES:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Commissioner Jack Black  
Commissioner Jim Daniel  
Commissioner Rick Hall  
Commissioner Robert Peay  
Commissioner Doug Shafer  
Commissioner Mike Sparks  
Commissioner Gary Farley, C

OTHERS PRESENT:

Ernest Burgess Bernard Salandy  
Lynn Duke Virgil Gammon  
Dan Goode Bart Smith  
Roger Allen Larry Farley  
Tracy Hill Jonathon Gill  
Mike Nunley Truman Jones  
Regina Nelson Tommy Brown

Mary Schneider, Steve Lane, Joe Gourley, Sr., Angie Hoffstetler, Chris Clark, Becky Shelton

Chairman Farley presided and called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. with all members being present at that time.

MINUTES:

"Commissioner Black moved, seconded by Commissioner Daniel, to approve the minutes of the last meeting as mailed. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

REPORT OF THE MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS STUDY COMMITTEE:

The Committee was first provided the report of the Mayor's Communications Study Committee with overview by Joe Gourley, Sr. of the findings and accomplishments of the plan when implemented. The plan provides for 95% coverage on handheld radios and 100% coverage on mobile radios.

RUTHERFORD COUNTY RESCUE SQUAD REPORT:

Jonathon Gill presented the Rutherford County Rescue Squad report for the use and information of the Committee. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Peay moved, seconded by Commissioner Daniel, to approve the Rutherford County Rescue Squad report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT REPORT:

Regina Nelson first presented a proposed budget amendment of \$25,000 increase to Account #101-48130 (Printrak Agree) and Account #54210.709 (Data Process Eq); \$20,500 from Account #54110-189 (Salaries) with \$15,000 to Account #54210-441 (Prisoner Clothin) and \$5,500 to Account #54210-435 (Office Supplies); \$5,500 increase to Account #101-49700 (Ins Recovery), \$17,553 from Account #101-58900-505 (Judgments) and \$23,053 to Account #54110-718 (Vehicles); and \$6,800 increase to Account #101-49700 (Ins Recovery) with \$1,165 increase to Account #54110-338 (Maint Repairs Veh) and \$5,635 increase to Account #54110-718 (Vehicles). Following discussion,

"Commissioner Hall moved, seconded by Commissioner Peay, to approve the budget amendment of \$25,000 increase to Account #101-48130 (Printrak Agree) and Account #54210.709 (Data Process Eq); \$20,500 from Account #54110-189 (Salaries) with \$15,000 to Account #54210-441 (Prisoner Clothin) and \$5,500 to Account #54210-435 (Office Supplies); \$5,500 increase to Account #101-49700 (Ins Recovery), \$17,553 from Account #101-58900-505 (Judgments) and \$23,053 to Account #54110-718

(Vehicles); and \$6,800 increase to Account #101-49700 (Ins Recovery) with \$1,165 increase to Account #54110-338 (Maint Repairs Veh) and \$5,635 increase to Account #54110-718 (Vehicles). This motion passed unanimously by roll call vote."

The Committee was next provided a copy of the Office of Criminal Justice Programs grant application for a STOP grant for a domestic violence investigator for three years at 25%/75%. If and when the grant were received it will be brought back for discussion of funding. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Shafer moved, seconded by Commissioner Hall, to approve application with the Office of Criminal Justice Programs for a STOP grant for a domestic violence investigator. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

The Committee next reviewed the line item report. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Black moved, seconded by Commissioner Daniel, to approve the line item report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

#### WHEEL TAX OFFICER'S REPORT:

Bart Smith presented the Wheel Tax Officer's report for the use and information of the Committee. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Daniel moved, seconded by Commissioner Sparks, to approve the Wheel Tax Officer's report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

#### OSHA REPORT:

Dan Goode presented the OSHA report for the use and information of the Committee. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Hall moved, seconded by Commissioner Shafer, to approve the OSHA report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

#### CORRECTIONAL WORK CENTER REPORT:

Bernard Salandy presented the Correctional Work Center report for the use and information of the Committee. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Shafer moved, seconded by Commissioner Peay, to approve the Correctional Work Center report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

#### EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY REPORT:

Roger Allen next presented the Emergency Management activity report and Larry Farley presented the Fire Coordinator's report for the use and information of the Committee. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Black moved, seconded by Commissioner Peay, to approve the Emergency Management Agency report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

Commissioner Hall inquired if EMA could hold a summit of all County agencies including municipalities, volunteers, etc. to view the various emergency equipment in the County and provide a materials

list of inventory resources.

Mr. Allen next presented his proposed 10/11 budget advising he has stayed within the Mayor's wishes except for Line Item 708 at \$8,000 for communications equipment and Line Item 709 at \$15,000 for a server. Mayor Burgess advised OIT may try to put in a new server this fiscal year. Mayor Burgess advised all department budgets are subject to further review and discussion and may be changed. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Sparks moved, seconded by Commissioner Daniel, to approve the Emergency Management Agency budget as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

PAWS REPORT:

Tracy Hill presented the PAWS report for the use and information of the Committee. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Peay moved, seconded by Commissioner Shafer, to approve the PAWS report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

Ms. Hill next presented a proposed budget amendment of \$11,500 from Account #101-55120-707 (Building Improvements) with \$6,000 to Account #101-55120-335 (Maint/Repair Buildings), \$3,000 to Account #101-55120-340 (Medical/Dental Services) and \$2,500 to Account #101-55120-401 (Animal Food/Supplies); and \$2,800 from Account #101-55120-105 (Supervisor) to Account #101-55120-164 (Attendants). Following discussion,

"Commissioner Hall moved, seconded by Commissioner Daniel, to approve the budget amendment of \$11,500 from Account #101-55120-707 (Building Improvements) with \$6,000 to Account #101-55120-335 (Maint/Repair Buildings), \$3,000 to Account #101-55120-340 (Medical/Dental Services) and \$2,500 to Account #101-55120-401 (Animal Food/Supplies); and \$2,800 from Account #101-55120-105 (Supervisor) to Account #101-55120-164 (Attendants). This motion passed unanimously by roll call vote."

Ms. Hill next presented her proposed 10/11 budget advising it provided for two additional in-house positions at entry level pay. Mayor Burgess advised he could not approve new positions until he saw the entire picture and determined if any layoffs were going to be required and potentially implement STEP raises. The Committee was advised there have been no applicants for the veterinarian position and they would like to repost the same at \$52,000 and have included this amount in the budget. If there are no applicants at \$52,000 the position may be cut or advertised as part-time. Mayor Burgess advised the budget has been held to the current budget except for the veterinarian increase. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Peay moved, seconded by Commissioner Daniel, to approve the Mayor's recommended budget for PAWS without the veterinarian increase. This motion passed by acclamation with Commissioners Sparks and Farley voting "no"."

Mayor Burgess advised he understood if they advertised the veterinarian position at \$52,000 they would have to come back to the Committee.

"Commissioner Peay moved, seconded by Commissioner Daniel, to authorize posting of the veterinarian position at \$52,000. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

DRUG COURT REPORT:

Mary Schneider advised her department has used the balance of the DUI Treatment Fund and provided two proposed budgets for 10/11. Plan A served 25 participants and laid off 6 employees and is a 58% cut from her current budget. Plan B served 65 participants and laid off 2 ½ people and is a 25% cut from her current budget. Plan B requires \$80,000 from the General Fund.

Mayor Burgess advised the program does work and he is convinced it is rescuing lives. Further, it is a disservice to the residents of the County if they do not put money in the program as it is an investment in lives. The program has been in existence ten years and this is the first County money required. Ms. Schneider advised this is the only program of its kind left in the County. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Peay moved, seconded by Commissioner Daniel, to approve Plan B as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

Ms. Schneider next presented her 10/11 ARRA Jag – Drug Court budget for consideration by the Committee. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Hall moved, seconded by Commissioner Peay, to approve the ARRA Jag – Drug Court budget as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

#### JUVENILE DETENTION REPORT:

Lynn Duke presented the Juvenile Detention report for the use and information of the Committee. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Daniel moved, seconded by Commissioner Black, to approve the Juvenile Detention report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

Ms. Duke next presented her proposed 10/11 budget advising it is \$5,000 less than last year but she would like to take that \$5,000 and make a part-time employee full-time and that would use the \$5,000. Mayor Burgess advised he wanted to hold the budget where it is until further review. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Hall moved, seconded by Commissioner Daniel, to approve the Juvenile Detention 10/11 budget as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

#### AMBULANCE SERVICE REPORT:

Mike Nunley presented the Ambulance Service report for the use and information of the Committee. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Shafer moved, seconded by Commissioner Daniel, to approve the Ambulance Service report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

Mr. Nunley next presented his proposed 10/11 budget advising it is 3.5264% over last year but includes \$300,000 for two new ambulances and an increase of \$133,092 in insurance. Mayor Burgess advised he anticipates further cuts in certain line items. Mr. Nunley advised he was nervous about their computer issues and hoped OIT had money. Mayor Burgess advised the ambulances may be funded from the Development Tax. Mayor Burgess advised communications infrastructure, ambulances and technology will be priorities. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Shafer moved, seconded by Commissioner Hall,

to approve the 10/11 Ambulance Service budget as presented with the two ambulances being funded from the Development Tax. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

Chris Clark and Larry Farley next addressed the Committee providing information on the action plan and fire and rescue response during the January, 2010 winter storm.

There appearing to be no further business to come before the Committee, Chairman Farley declared the meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

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GARY FARLEY, Chairman